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1.-9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) ~~With respect to a voice-activated dialing (VAD) call, a~~
A method to update [[the]] a voice activated dialing (VAD) directory associated with an
originator of the VAD a call with [[the]] a call destination number, the method comprising:
determining the VAD asking the originator whether to update the VAD directory at
the end of the call to the call destination number-ended;
asking the originator whether to update the VAD directory;
receiving an instruction to update the VAD directory in response to the asking;
receiving from the originator a VAD command for the call destination number after
receiving the instruction; and
updating the VAD directory with an update including the VAD command associated
with the call destination number.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 10, wherein the ~~inquiry~~ asking
comprises sending a data message to the originator at the end of the call to the call destination
number.

12. (Original) The method of Claim 10, wherein updating the VAD directory with
the update comprises checking a profile of the originator for an address of the VAD directory,
and using the address of the VAD directory to update the VAD directory.

13. (Original) The method of Claim 12, wherein the profile of the originator
comprises more than one address for the VAD directory; and
wherein updating the VAD directory with the update comprises using all of the
addresses of the VAD director to update the VAD directory.

14. (Original) The method of Clam 10, further comprising:
after updating the VAD directory with the update, notifying the originator of the
update.

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15. (Original) The method of Claim 10, further comprising:
after updating the VAD directory with the update, asking the originator whether to update the VAD directory with another update.
16. (Currently Amended) A method for updating a voice activated dialing (VAD) directory, comprising:
receiving an instruction to update the VAD directory by reference to at least one characteristic of a call destination number other than the call destination number itself;
determining a call destination number to be included as part of an update to the VAD directory based upon the at least one characteristic of the call destination number other than the call destination number itself;
recording a VAD command for the call destination number that was determined; and
updating the VAD directory with the update including the VAD command associated with the call designation number that was determined.
17. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 16, wherein the VAD directory is associated with a customer; and
wherein the ~~call destination number to be included as part of the update to the VAD directory~~ at least one characteristic of the call destination number other than the call destination number itself comprises the last number dialed by the customer.
18. (Canceled)
19. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 16, wherein the VAD directory is associated with a customer; and
wherein the ~~call destination number to be included as part of the update to the VAD directory~~ at least one characteristic of the call destination number other than the call destination number itself comprises a number from a call log associated with the customer.
20. (Original) The method of Claim 16, further comprising:
after updating the VAD directory with the update, checking whether to update the VAD directory with another update.

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21. (New) The method of Claim 10 wherein the VAD directory is a first VAD directory, and wherein the method further comprises:

updating a second VAD directory with an update including the VAD command associated with the call destination number.

22. (New) The method of Claim 16 wherein the VAD directory is a first VAD directory, and wherein the method further comprises:

updating a second VAD directory with an update including the VAD command associated with the call destination number.

23. (New) The method of Claim 16, wherein the at least one characteristic of the call destination number other than the call destination number itself comprises a name associated with a call destination number, and wherein the determining a call destination number comprises:

obtaining the call destination number from a directory that is associated with a communications network, based upon the name.

24. (New) A system that is configured to perform the method of Claim 10.

25. (New) A system that is configured to perform the method of Claim 16.

26. (New) A method to update a voice activated dialing (VAD) directory associated with an originator of a call with a call destination number, the method comprising:

asking the originator whether to update the VAD directory at the end of the call to the call destination number;

transmitting an instruction to update the VAD directory in response to the asking; and
transmitting from the originator a VAD command for the call destination number after receiving the instruction.

27. (New) The method of Claim 26, wherein the asking comprises receiving a data message at the originator at the end of the call to the call destination number.

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28. (New) A system that is configured to perform the method of Claim 29.